



# INVITATION

**Karl von WOGAU, MEP**

Chairman of the EP Subcommittee on Security & Defence

**Patrick MOULIN**

President of SME Aerospace, Defence & Security

**Alexander RADWAN, MEP**

President of the SME Circle

Have the pleasure to invite you to  
**The 1st International Space Conference**

Organized by the  
**SME UNION of the European People's Party**

In cooperation with  
**Konrad Adenauer Stiftung and  
Robert Schuman Foundation**

## Space: A new Business Opportunity for European SMEs?

**Under the Patronage of the President of the EPP-ED Group  
Joseph DAUL, MEP**

**Thursday, 18 September 2008**

**North Rhine-Westphalia Representation  
Rue Montoyer, 47  
1000 Brussels**

**From 9:00 to 13:30h**

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## Agenda

Thursday, 18 September 2008

09:00 – 09:30 Registration and welcome coffee

09:30 – 10:30 Opening sessions

### Welcome and Introduction

- **Patrick MOULIN**  
SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, President
- **Karl von WOGAU MEP**  
Chairman of the EP Subcommittee on Security & Defence
- **Alexander RADWAN MEP**  
SME Circle, Subcommittee on Security & Defence, Committee on Constitutional Affairs, President

### Keynote speech:

- **Valerie PECRESSE**  
French Minister for Higher Education and Research
- **Antonio TAJANI** (tbc)  
European Commissioner for Energy and Transport

### Panel I Presentation

- **Barbara FRONTINI BIZJAK**, SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, Secretary General

10:30 – 11:30

**PANEL I: “Space: A new Business Opportunity for European SMEs?”**

### Introduction and Moderation:

- **Etelka BARSÍ-PATAKY MEP**  
Committee on Transport and Tourism, Temporary Committee on Climate Change, Committee on Industry, Research and Energy

### Impulse statements:

- **Paul DE FRAIPONT**  
SERTIT, Director, France
- **Christian HOFFMANN**  
GEOVILLE, Managing Director, Austria





- **Peter VOLK**  
GAF AG, Chief Executive Officer, Germany
- **Filippo DE ROSE**  
SERCO, Space Business Development Manager, Italy

### Discussion

11:30 – 11:45 Break

### Panel II Presentation

- **Barbara FRONTINI BIZJAK**, SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, Secretary General

11:45 - 12:45

**PANEL II: “Space: How institutions can contribute to the growth of the space market?”**

#### Introduction and Moderation:

- **Alojz PETERLE MEP**  
Committee on Foreign Affairs

#### Impulse statements:

- **Jean- Jacques DORDAIN**  
European Space Agency (ESA), Director General
- **Jean-Yves LE GALL**  
ARIANESPACE, Chief Executive Officer
- **Françoise LE BAIL**  
European Commission, Deputy Director General of DG Enterprise and Industry, Commission’s Envoy for SMEs
- **Johannes von THADDEN**  
ASTRIUM, Head of Political Affairs, Germany
- **Daniel WAGNER**  
Ministry for Economy and Science of the State of Saarland, Germany
- **Paolo SALVATO**  
THALESALENIASPACE Italy

### Discussion





## Panel III Presentation

**Barbara FRONTINI BIZJAK**, SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, Secretary General

**12:45 – 13:30**

**PANEL III: “Duality of Civil and Military Space: A complimentary”**

**Introduction and Moderation:**

- **Patrick MOULIN**  
SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, President

**Impulse statements:**

- **Adam SOWA**  
European Defense Agency (EDA), Deputy Chief Executive Operation
- **Bernard MOLARD**  
EUROSPACE, Chairman of Security and Defense Committee
- **NN**  
Aerospace and Defence Industries Association of Europe (ASD)

**Discussion**

## Conclusions and Closing Remarks:

- **Peter WEILEMANN**  
Konrad Adenauer Stiftung, Director
- **Patrick MOULIN**  
SME Aerospace, Defence & Security, President
- **Karl Von WOGAU MEP**  
Chairman of the EP Subcommittee on Security & Defence

**Lunch Buffet for participants will be available at the end of the conference**

**Please confirm your participation  
before Tuesday, 16 September 2008 to**

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